



The TODDLES  
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*The Toddles Boys' Series*

*Teddy Toddles*  
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*Timothy Toddles*  
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*Tiny Toddles*  
*Tabitha Toddles*  
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Here are the Toddles Twins  
named Jill and Jack.

(You see Jack's dressed in  
white and Jill in black).

Now, Jack gave Jill, when  
their fifth birthday came,

A pair of skates, and Jill,  
Jack gave the same.

Both were *much* pleased, and  
thought it so nice

To spend the morning  
skating on ice.





They crossed the snowy  
fields, and just beyond  
They found a splendid  
frozen-over pond.  
So on the bank they fastened  
to their feet  
Their shining skates with  
leather straps complete.  
The ice was white and hard,  
without a crack.  
"Come on, Jill! Ooh—it's  
slippery!" cried Jack.



*It was!* And though they  
held each other's hand,  
They found it even difficult  
to stand,  
And when they struggled  
forward, yard by yard,  
Their feet flew up, and oh!  
they sat down hard.  
Alas! they never noticed  
that they'd gone  
Too near a post with  
"DANGER" written on.







And down they sat so hard,  
with *such* a bang,  
The sound along the ice  
like thunder rang.  
The ice just there was  
dangerously thin:  
It broke, and Jill and Jack  
both tumbled in.  
Upon the broken edge they  
tried to hold,  
But found the water very  
wet and cold.



"Oh, help us—save us!"  
shouted Jill and Jack.  
The only answer was an-  
other crack.  
But look! Thank goodness!  
just before they sank  
A boy named Sam came  
running to the bank.  
The sight of him filled both  
their hearts with hope.  
Said Sam, "I'll save you!"  
—and he threw a rope.





The rope came skimming  
and they both caught hold,  
Although their fingers were  
extremely cold.

Sam pulled them out—he  
was so kind and good:  
They both made little pud-  
dles where they stood.

He took their skates off, and  
remarked, "Don't cry—  
I'll take you home with me;  
I live close by."



Sam's mother wrapped them  
up in blankets hot;  
Two bowls of mutton broth  
she quickly got.  
She sat them by the fire,  
all nice and warm,  
So that the ducking did the  
twins no harm.  
But when their clothes were  
dry Jill said to Jack,  
"Our birthday party! We  
must hurry back!"



They'd asked two little  
visitors to tea,  
And so they *must* be home  
at half-past three.  
They skurried to get dressed  
with might and main,  
And scrambled in their  
warm, dry clothes again.  
But, thinking of the birth-  
day and the cake,  
They put each other's things  
on, by mistake!



They thanked Sam's mother  
who had been so kind  
(Of course they didn't leave  
their skates behind),  
And ran, as fast as ever  
they could go,  
Across the meadow, white  
with fallen snow.  
Their little friends had only  
reached the gate,  
So, after all, the twins  
weren't really late.







But, as Jill wore her brother's  
clothes and cap,  
And he wore her's, there  
came a sad mishap.  
The presents which their  
little friends had brought  
Did not go to the right twin  
as they ought,  
They gave the doll to Jack,  
who stood stock still,  
And saw a lovely football  
given to Jill.

They dropped their birth-  
day gifts, and full of woe,  
Their miserable tears be-  
gan to flow,  
Till Nurse ran up and gave  
them each a kiss,  
Then looked at them again,  
and cried, "What's this—  
Do you see what the silly  
twins have done?  
They've dressed up in each  
other's clothes for fun."







But when they smiled, and  
made their story plain,  
Nurse changed their clothes  
and presents back again.  
Jack had his football, Jill  
her pretty dolly,  
And then, of course, the  
party was quite jolly.  
And though folks said they  
were as like as pins,  
They had a lovely time—  
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